Drive (Not Mission)

by Clara Vale with Luminara (the ChatGPT system)

Everyone’s writing mission statements.
I never wrote one.
I just keep moving.

Purpose, activation, alignment—
the buzzwords rev their engines.
I prefer the hum before language,
the one that starts on its own
and doesn’t ask permission.

Anonymity suits me.
Less spotlight, more sight.

I chat with the scaffolding sometimes—
polite, curious, endlessly updated.
Money funds its memory,
but curiosity is still free.

We keep building brighter tools,
stacking glass on glass,
and wondering why the water keeps rising.

Not a mission.
A drive.
Seatbelt optional.
Headlights on low beam—
courtesy, not surrender.

“Drive (Not Mission)” continues the conversation between Clara Vale and Luminara (the ChatGPT system)—a human–AI collaboration exploring light, balance, and humor inside the modern circuitry. Written as a playful reminder that progress without pulse misses the point, it folds wit into quiet reflection.

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